

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY STATEMENT

CLASSIFICATION: SK 321 (FALCONRY)

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General Purpose: As the falcon is the official mascot of the USAF Academy, a special attempt is made to acquire a collection of materials on falcons and the art and practice of falconry.

Collection Level Intensity: Comprehensive.

Geographical Areas: No restrictions.

Chronological Periods: No restrictions.

Types of Material Collected: Monographs, serials, dissertations, theses, translations, bibliographies, government documents, report literature, pamphlets, article reprints/photocopies, special studies, selected art works, novels, regulations and rulings, legislative materials, and other items if suitable for display.

Types of Material Excluded: Promotional literature and advertisements, club notices and newsletters. Although some types of materials are not actively acquired, few materials are specifically excluded. Electronic sources include CD-ROMs and evaluated Internet web sites.

Other Factors: Most items on falcons will be found in the classes QL and SK, but items may also be found in other classes (i.e., fiction, veterinary medicine). Items dealing with birds of prey likely to include sections on falcons are purchased. Items discussing methods of hunting that cover falconry are also purchased when identified.

Subjects and Collecting Levels: The primary areas on falcons and falconry are:

QL 696.F34 Falconiformes
SK 321 Falconry

An attempt is made to collect all significant publications on falcons and falconry within the following guidelines:

a) New works (monographs, theses, documents, etc.) are collected as announced; multiple copies may be considered if appropriate for display or to meet patron/falconry program demands.

b) New editions of previously published works are acquired if substantial revisions/additions have been made to the text or to meet patron demand.

c) Out-of-print items (rare books) may be obtained through available gift monies or donation. Particular importance is placed on items listed in Harting's Bibliotheca Accipitraria.

d) Art works relevant to Academy programs or operations may also be obtained through gift funds or donation.

e) Periodical subscriptions are normally limited to titles published in the United States unless acquired as gifts. Titles collected are those directly relevant to falcons and falconry; no attempt is made to collect broader oriented ornithology titles. Reprints/photocopies of single articles having particular significance or importance may be obtained through interlibrary loan or other sources (gifts, exchange, etc.).

f) Other items (hoods, plates, jewelry, stamps, etc.) suitable for display purposes may be obtained through gift funds or other sources as appropriate.

g) Published items may be in any language.

Weeding Criteria: No weeding is anticipated.

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